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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 31, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action issued December 31, 2002 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the December 31, 2002 Office Action was due March 31, 2003. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time from March 31, 2003 to April 30, 2003 for responding to the December 31, 2002 Office Action. The required fee for the one-month extension of time is \$55.00 and a check including this amount is enclosed. Therefore, a response to the December 31, 2002 Office Action is now due April 30, 2003 and this Amendment is being timely filed.

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